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SUBJECT: FORMER REGIME INTERIOR MINISTER SENTENCED TO
FIFTEEN YEARS HARD LABOR.

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1. DOUBA ALIFA, MINISTER OF INTERIOR UNDER TOMBALBAYE GOVERNMENT
OVERTHROWN BY MILITARY IN APRIL OF 1975, SULTAN OF BOUSSO, AND
ALLEGED DIRECT DESCENDANT OF THE BAGUIRIMI KINGS, WAS SENTENCED TO
FIFTEEN YEARS AT HARD LABOR AND A FINE OF CFA 92 MILLION FRANCS ON
MARCH 21 BY SPECIAL GOC COURT. DOUBA WAS CONVICTED OF DIVERTING
STATE FUNDS FOR UNAUTHORIZED PURPOSES FROM PREFECTURES AND FROM
ANTI-CHOLERA CAMPAIGNS. DOUBA'S EXCUSE THAT HE WAS ACTING ON
BEHALF FORMER PRESIDENT TOMBALBAYE NOT ACCEPTED BY COURT.

2. DOUBA'S CAREER PEAKED IN 1972-73, WHEN HE WAS WIDELY
REGARDED AS HEIR APPARENT TO FORMER PRESIDENT AND HAD ACHIEVED
VIRTUALLY COMPLETE CONTROL OF SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE SERVICES.
SUBSEQUENTLY, TOMBALBAYE, APPARENTLY FEARING GROWING POWER
OF DOUBA, PUBLICLY DENOUNCED DOUBA'S PRETENTIONS AS HEIR
OF BAGUIRIMI KINGS AND SOMEWHAT CURTAILED HIS POWERS.
DOUBA NONETHELESS CONTINUED AS INTERIOR MINISTER UNTIL 1975
COUP WHEN HE, ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER TOMBALBAYE MINISTERS,
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WAS JAILED ON CHARGES OF FINANCIAL IRREGULARITY.

3. COMMENT: TRIAL HELD IN LARGE AUDITORIUM OF MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (FORMERLY PALAIS DE CONGRES) AND OPEN TO
PUBLIC. TIMING OF TRIAL, TWO WEEKS BEFORE CELEBRATION OF
SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF MILITARY TAKEOVER ON APRIL 13, OBVIOUSLY
INTENDED REFURBISH NEW REGIME'S AURA OF HONESTY AND

AUSTERITY. BRADFORD

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